



2019 MEN'S & WOMEN'S SENIOR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP OF TASMANIA COMPETITION CONDITIONS

1. Format

- 1.1 Each of the Men's and Women's Senior Match Play Championships will be played in two separate sections
- 1.2 The first section of the Men's and Women's Senior Match Play Championships will be decided by stroke play over one qualifying round of 18-holes at Mowbray Golf Club on Saturday 23 November.
- 1.3 The winners of the respective first sections will be the Tasmanian Senior Medallists and receive a silver medal. In the event of a tie for either Championship, players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Committee decide in a sudden-death, hole by hole play-off until the winner is determined.
- 1.4 After the first section of the Men's and Women's Championships, the eight (8) lowest male scores and eight (8) lowest female scores from each will compete in the second section of the Men's and Women's Championships respectively. The eight (8) lowest male nett scores and eight (8) lowest female nett scores (excluding those who qualify for either male or female Championship proper) will compete in the second handicap section of the Men's and Women's Championships respectively.
Please note condition 2.3 and that the number of entries will determine how many players, male or female, qualify for both the championship and handicap match play sections.
- 1.5 In the event of there being a tie for a position after the first section of either the Men or Women's Senior Match Play Championships such that more than eight (8) players remain in the respective Championships, those players tying for the last qualifying position or positions shall be decided by count-back.
- 1.6 Ties in handicap events and for runners-up in all stroke play events shall be decided by count-back.
- 1.7 (i) The second section of both the Men's and Women's Senior Match Play Championships will be played at Mowbray Golf Club and will consist of successive rounds of handicap match play, with losers being eliminated and winners progressing to the next round. The automatic draw will be applied to establish the match pairings (ties for positions, other than for the last qualifying position of positions (or for the first position), will be decided by lot).
(ii) Men's & Women's Senior Match Play Rounds– Schedule
Semi & Quarter Finals: Sunday 24 Nov (am) 18 Holes
Finals: Monday 25 Nov (am) 18 Holes
- 1.8 In the event of a halved match in any round;
 - (i) players will continue to play until a winner is determined (strokes received on holes when due) and;
 - (ii) the last stipulated round is determined to extend to as many holes as required for a match to be won.
- 1.9 The winner of the Men's Senior Match Play Championship will be the Tasmanian Men's Senior Match Play Champion and receive the Senior Match Play Championship gold medal. The winner of the Women's Senior Match Play Championship will be the Tasmanian Women's Senior Match Play Champion and receive the Senior Match Play Championship gold medal.

2. Championship Committee

- 2.1 The Championship will be under the management and control of the Championship Committee consisting of Golf Australia-Tasmania's Tournament, Rules and Ratings Committee and Golf Operations Manager.
- 2.2 In the absence of the full Championship Committee such members thereof as may be present at any time may give a decision and any decision shall be deemed the decision of the full Championship Committee.
- 2.3 The Championship Committee will have sole management and control of the Championship, with full power at any time to alter or vary any one of the Conditions.
- 2.4 The Championship Committee decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final.

3. Rules of Play

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply together with Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Committee.

4. Entries

- 4.1 Eligible players must have reached their 55th birthday on or before 25 November 2019.
- 4.2 Eligible players for the Men's Senior Match Play Championship are male amateurs whose Australian Men's Handicap does not exceed 18.4 strokes. Eligible players for the Women's Senior Match Play Championship are female amateurs whose Australian Women's Handicap does not exceed 36.4 strokes. In the case of overseas amateurs they must have a handicap equivalent to the Australian men's or women's handicap certified by his/her home club or National association. The exact handicap certified as at the commencement of the first round is the handicap to be used for all purposes.
- 4.3 The entrance fee for the Men's and Women's Senior Match Play Championship is \$55.00 (Inc. GST).
- 4.4 Entrance fee must be paid at the time of entry.
- 4.5 Entries must be made with the Secretary, Golf Tasmania, PO Box 410 Rosny Park, 7018 (2 Queen Street, Bellerive) not later than 5.00pm on Friday 8 November, 2019. It is the sole responsibility of the entrant themselves to ensure that their entry is received prior to the closing time for entries.
- 4.6 The maximum field size for the Men's and Women's Senior Match Play Championships is 84. In the event of applications exceeding the number of places available, entries for higher handicap competitors will be decided by handicap ballot. Unsuccessful entrants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Entrance Fees will be refunded to entrants balloted out, who do not compete.
- 4.7 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Committee.
- 4.8 Acceptable payments methods are only as follows – credit card (online only), cheque (personal or bank), money order, cash (please note that Golf Australia-Tasmania will not accept responsibility for cash sent that is not received) or funds transfer (BSB: 083 419, Account: 62524 2173). Cheques or money orders are to be made payable to Golf Australia.
- 4.9 Entrants must conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited.
- 4.10 The decision of the Championship Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.

5. Conforming Golf Balls, Driver Heads and Time of Starting

The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf are in effect as regards to Conforming Golf Balls, Driver Heads and Time of Starting.

6. Starting Position of Players

The starting position of players on the same score will be determined by the 'first-in-last-out' procedure as approved by Golf Australia.

7. Drug Testing

All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Agency for banned substances as laid down in Golf Australia's Anti-Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy, or refusing to take a test, will be disqualified and subject to any sanction(s) brought down by ASADA. Clarification of any medication can be obtained via the ASADA hotline – 1800 020 506, or from www.asada.gov.au

8. Practice

Practice will be available on Friday 22 November, all day.

9. Pace of Play

- 9.1 Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. Each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding it. Any group with a clear hole in front of it will be considered out of position. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups who by their pace contribute to such delay. Warnings may not be issued prior to penalties.
- 9.2 A time allotment for the completion of each round will be allocated by the Championship Committee to assist with the pace of play.

10. Motorised Transport

During play, it is prohibited for a player to ride in or on a motorised vehicle unless specific written permission has been granted by the Championship Play Committee. (NB Subject to host club permission, a caddie may use motorised transport at any time.) Penalty: 2 strokes for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – 4 strokes (unless permitted to ride by a member of the Championship Rules Committee).

Procedure when breach discovered: Use of any unauthorised form of transportation must be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred.

Note i: Permission will only be granted to entrants who can provide a Medical Certificate.

Note ii: GT takes no responsibility for the availability of golf carts.

Note iii: Permission will be granted on the basis that the following requirements are adhered to. Players failing to adhere to these requirements are liable to have such permission revoked:

Players who drive at a pace which is clearly quicker than walking pace; and/or who

drive to a point past their ball which is clearly unreasonable for a player who is not using motorised transport to reach, are in breach of these requirements.

Match-play – At the conclusion of the hole at which the breach is discovered, the state of the match is adjusted by deducting one hole for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum deduction per round – two holes.

Stroke or Match-play – In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole. Use of an unauthorised form of transportation must be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise the player is disqualified.

11. Distance-Measuring Devices

A player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, windspeed, etc), the player is in breach of Rule 4-3.

12. Code of Conduct

All entrants assent to be bound by Golf Australia-Tasmania's Code of Conduct. A copy of the code is available at www.golfaustralia.org.au

13. Golf Australia Hard Card

The Golf Australia Hard Card will be in effect throughout the Tasmanian Men's & Women's Senior Match Play Championship.

14. Publicity

Golf Australia-Tasmania and the sponsors arrange publicity before and during the Championship in the press, by live and recorded radio, television broadcasting and by filming. The competitors assent to reference to them and pictures of them in practice and play being used for commercial purposes by Golf Australia-Tasmania and the sponsors. Golf Australia-Tasmania reserves the right to any press, broadcasting or television fees paid or payable for permission to broadcast, photograph or televise play.

15. No Smoking

All competitors and caddies are subject to State Government laws prohibiting the smoking of cigarettes, cigars or the like during the course of any round played in a competition.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER

Men's & Women's Senior Match Play Championship & Handicap

QUALIFYING ROUND

18 Holes Stroke Play

The lowest eight (8) male and lowest eight (8) female scores to qualify for the respective Men's and Women's Senior Match Play Championship. The lowest eight (8) male nett scores and the lowest eight (8) female nett scores (excluding those who qualify for the Senior Match Play Championship) to qualify for the respective Men's and Women's Senior Handicap Championship.

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Men's & Women's Senior Match Play Championship

QUARTER FINALS

18 Holes Match Play (Men)

18 Holes Match Play (Women)

SEMI FINALS

18 Holes Match Play (Men)

18 Holes Match Play (Women)

Men's & Women's Senior Handicap Championship

QUARTER FINALS

18 Holes Match Play (Men)

18 Holes Match Play (Women)

SEMI FINALS

18 Holes Match Play (Men)

18 Holes Match Play (Women)

MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER

Men's & Women's Senior Match Play Championship

FINAL

18 Holes Match Play (Men)

18 Holes Match Play (Women)

Men's & Women's Senior Handicap Championship

FINAL

18 Holes Match Play (Men)

18 Holes Match Play (Women)